

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an e-mail interview with Lenny Jiang (Reg. No. 52432) on 5/26/2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

The last line of claim 1 should be deleted, and replaced with the following lines:

--said previously skipped security related configuration steps; and

wherein said internal cross-connection of said transmission network

immediately after said first fetch-ahead phase is the same as said internal cross-

connection of said transmission network immediately after said second

consolidation phase.--

The last line of claim 5 should be deleted and replaced with the following lines

--related configuration steps; and

wherein said established cross- connections of said cross-connection matrix

immediately after said fetch-ahead phase is the same as said established cross-

connections of said cross-connection matrix immediately after said consolidation

phase.--

Claims 12 and 14 are cancelled.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MICHAEL E. KEEFER whose telephone number is (571)270-1591. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 9am-5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan Flynn can be reached on (571) 272-1915. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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